Fig. in Lakhs.

Plan Heads	Budget Estimate 1995-96	Revised Estimate 1995-96	Budget Estimate 1996-97
New Lines (Construction)	20300	28171	22055
Gauge Conversion	113800	143997	114456
Doubling	30400	28237	30371
Electrification project	39070	39101	36070
Rolling Stock	304000	292079	391556
Railway Research	2000	487	900

The figures include anticipated investments by the Indian Railway Finance Corporation, BOLT and OYW schemes in Plan-heads Rolling Stock, Electrification, Doubling and Gauge Conversion.

(c) The provision is lower than last year's Budget Estimate only in the case of Railway Electrification and Railway Research Plan-heads.

(d) On account of overall limitation of resources a minor reduction in Railway Electrification became necessary. Under Railway Research, the provision made is considered quite adequate keeping in view the trend of expenditure last year.

(e) The provision made compares favourably with last year's Budget Estimate for the Plan-head New Lines, Gauge Conversion Doubling and Rolling stock. The reduction in Railway electrification is quite small. No adverse effect on the developmental projects is , therefore, anticipated.

Entitlment for Admissions in Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan

3191. SHRI RAGHAVJI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOUCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that children and grand children of MPs, serving and retire employees of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan are entitled to admission in Kendriya Vidyalayas over and above the prescribed class-strength; and

(b) if so, the relevant details?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPTT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) and (b) The children and dependant grand children of members of Parliament and children of serving employees of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan are given admission over and above the class strength.

Newsitem on Frog Hunting

3192. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a newsitem which appeared in the Deccan Herald dated 2nd July' 1996, under the caption "Unabated frog hunting despite ban" wherein it has been stated that the central Government's circular of 1987 does not provide for powers to officials to prosecute the offenders nor is there any authority to take action; and

(b) if so, the steps Government propose to take to make the ban effective?

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (CAPT. JAI NARAYAN PRASAD NISHAD): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Hunting of any wild animal specified in schedules I, II, III & IV of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 except as provided under Section 11 & 12, is prohibited. Frog is included in

schedule IV of the Act. Contravention of any provisions of the Act (except Chapter V A and Section 38J) attracts a term of imprisonment upto three years or a fine of upto Rs. 25,000 or both. Under the Export Policy also export of wild animals including their parts and products is prohibited. The State Government are constantly being reminded to effectively implement the provisions of law.

Foreign Universities Operating in India

3193. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL:
DR. MAHESH CHANDRA SHARMA:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a newsitem published in the Times of India, dated 14th May, 1996, captioned "International degrees available on Indian Campuses cutting down the boarding, travelling and studying expenses tremendously;

(b) if so, what are the details of the foreign Universities country-wise, subject-wise, courses/fees/location-wise/term-wise available in India;

(c) whether Indian Universities and their staff would also join foreign Universities in such international courses; and

(d) details including recognition thereof by Central and State Government Departments after completion of such studies?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPTT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) to (d) The required information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

"Creation of posts in C.P.C.B."

3194. SHRI GUNDAPPA KORWAR: will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the proposals for creation of posts of Director, Additional Director, Senior Law Officer and Law Officer submitted by the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) for approval during the last two years;

(b) the details of the proposals which are still pending; and

(c) the specific reasons for keeping them pending for such a long time?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (CAPT. JAI NARAYAN PRASAD NISHAD): (a) to (c) The Hon'ble Supreme Court vide its order in W.P. No. 3727 of 1985 in the matter of Shri M.C. Mehta vs. Union of India and Others dated 28.7.1995, directed that the Member-Secretary, Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB), may send a proposal for setting up Environmental Surveillance Squads in each of the zonal offices of the CPCB in the country, to the Ministry of Environment and Forests. The Chairman, Central Pollution Control Board, had send a proposal on 3.8.1995 for creation, *inter-alia*, of the following posts:

(i) Director - 2 posts;

(ii) Additional Director - 8 posts.

These posts have been sanctioned by the Minisitry of Environment and Forests in consultation with the Ministry of Finance, on 1.3.1996, after due examination.

The Central Pollution Control Board had also sent a proposal for creation of one post each of Senior Law Officer and Law Officer in the CPCB, on 6.2.1995. This proposal of CPCB has been examined in this Ministry. The response of the CPCB on the work study to assess the quantum and quality of work to be performed by these officers in still